

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Gianessi, et al.

Confirmation No.: 7877

Serial No. : 10/501,135

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Art Unit : 1626

Examiner : Young, S.

For : **PHENYL(ALKYL)CARBOXYLIC ACID DERIVATIVES  
AND DIONIC PHENYLALKYLHETEROCYCLIC  
DERIVATIVES AND THEIR USE AS MEDICINES WITH  
SERUM GLUCOSE AND/OR SERUM LIPID LOWERING  
ACTIVITY**

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action ("Office Action") mailed March 17, 2009. This *AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION* is filed concurrently with a Petition for a One Month Extension of Time to extend the time from June 17, 2009 to and including July 17, 2009. Thus, this *AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION* is timely filed.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.